



Client Matter No. 09328.105065
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Curham *et al.*)
Serial No.: 10/643,131) Art Unit: 1731
Filed: August 18, 2003) Examiner: FORTUNA, Jose
For: High HLB Non-Ionic Surfactants for)
Use as Deposition Control Agents)

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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June 22, 2006

Sir:

In response to the December 22, 2005 Office Action entered in the above application, please consider these remarks.

REMARKS

The Office Action rejects the pending claims over Rohlf (EP 0599440), both individually and in combination with Barnett (US 4861429), under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) and 35 U.S.C. § 103. However, there is nothing in the references that would suggest the use of a non-ionic high HLB surfactant in a first pulp suspension “in the substantial absence of a second deposition inhibiting

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